Belleair Newsletter

DECEMBER 2021/JANUARY 2022 =



ABOUT US...

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PRINCIPALS LETTER

Hello Belleair Families,

Happy December and NEW YEAR to our families! The semester is nearly over and we are conducting mid-year assessments to see the progress our students have made. We are confident each and every student will do well. Teachers will be contacting families to meet and discuss this academic growth.

Be on the look out for a couple of important events. Our Belleair Math Team will be hosting a Math Games Night. Not only will students get to practice math games, they will also go home with lots of games to continue at home to build their math fluency. In January, Belleair will invite families in for our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade Student Led Conferences. This is a great opportunity for parents to come in and have their child teach them all the learning they have done so far this school year.

Many times families wonder what they can do at home with their child to support them in their education. There are three big things that families can do at home:

1. Ensure your child is at school before 8:45 and stay through the 2:55 bell.

2. Have your child read each day for 30 minutes. This can be you reading to them, them reading to you, or your child reading to a sibling.

3. Practice math facts at home. Addition and subtraction facts in Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades and multiplication and division in grades 3, 4, and 5.

Our Belleair family would like to thank you for sharing your child with us and we appreciate your partnership. Please remember that the school is closed for students from December 20th

- January 3rd. We will reopen on January 4th.

Educationally yours, Kelly Austin Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 20th-January 3rd - School Closed - Winter Holiday Break Tuesday, January 4th - School re-opens Monday, January 17th - School Closed - MLK Day Thursday, January 20th - 5:00 pm Math Family Game Night Friday, January 28th - Student Led Conferences for Grades 3, 4, 5



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Belleair Elementary would like to thank the following for generously donating their time and school supplies to our teachers and students. Mark and Alyse Cohen (donation to Pawmart)

Thank you to the many volunteers that helped with the 5th grade Enterprise Village field trip

Church of Ascension

The Town of Belleair for providing many of our Thanksgiving meals

League of Latin American Citizens/ Ellis Santana, President Mount Olive MBC, Leroy Hardy, Pastor

First United Methodist Church for supplying our students with Pack-a-Sack

WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CHILD IS ILL.



Please follow one of the three options before your child is able to return school:

1. They receive a negative COVID test result provided by their

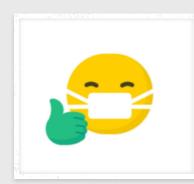
healthcare provider <u>OR</u> a Department of Health approved COVID testing site <u>AND</u> your student no longer has symptoms <u>**OR**</u>

2. Your child receives written permission to return to school from an MD, DO/DOM, or ARNP **OR**

3. Your child can return in 11 days if symptoms are improving.

IN ADDITION:

Your student **MUST** be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.



MASKS

Masks are highly encouraged for all students, staff and visitors in Pinellas County Schools.

PTA NEWS

PTA is back at Belleair and we need you!

PTA implements and supports programs and activities for our students including:



Open House* Walk to School * School Festivals * FSA Snacks *

Black History and Multicultural Celebrations * School Supplies * School walkway paint lines/paws * School Sprit Wear* Staff Appreciation * End of Year Events * and much more! Membership is \$7.00 per person \$_____ Enclosed Thank you for your support!

Name:
Student's Name:
Feacher:
Phone:
Email:
Membership forms are also available in the front office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

Belleair Elementary is a uniform school. The approved uniform colors are:

Colored polo shirts in yellow, blue or white.

Shorts, pants or skirt pants in navy blue or khaki.

Jeans are allowed on Fridays only with Belleair's school spirit

shirts. Jeans should not have tears or holes. Leggings or

jeggings are not allowed unless they are under skirts. Shorts should reach a little higher than the knee or longer.

REPORT A SAFETY CONCERN

Pinellas County Schools has partnered with Sandy Hook Promise to offer the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System. Say Something allows you to submit secure & anonymous safety concerns to help identify and intervene upon at-risk individuals BEFORE they hurt

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themselves or others. Tips made to the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System are passed along to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. Visit the <u>Say Something Anonymous Reporting System</u>

Additionally, the district utilizes FortifyFL, a school-related suspicious activity reporting tool that allows Florida students and the community the ability to instantly relay information anonymously concerning unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act. Visit the FortifyFL website



HOMEWORK HOTLINE

Pinellas County Schools Homework Helpline, (727)547-7223, offers free homework help for students in grades 1-12. The Homework Helpline is staffed by teachers certified in math, science, language arts and social studies. Help is available from 5 to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, on all school days, except when there is no school the following day.

